



Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Division of Professional Licensure
BOARD OF STATE EXAMINERS OF ELECTRICIANS
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Board of State Examiners of Electricians Meeting Minutes

VENUE: DPL 1000 WASHINGTON ST. BOSTON, MA

Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 25, 2019

10:00 AM

Office: Conference Room 1D

MEETING CALLED BY:	BOARD MEMBERS
TYPE OF MEETING:	REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
CHAIR/MEMBER:	K. Guinee, System Contractor Member, Chair
BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:	D. Edmonds, D. Cahill, J. Colleary, E. Dorian, G. Condon III, J. Bagni, P. Vigneau, T. Cunningham, P. Malagrifa, J. Sloane,
STAFF MEMBERS:	C. Kilb, A. Alfonso, R. Paris, T. Smith, M. Lewis,
ABSENT/Late	

Public Attendees

Eric Daniel

Kenneth Ferreira, Introduced Himself

Paul Lally

Joseph Kraft

Julie Kelliher, GCI

Matthew Goff

Chris Antonellis, Greater Boston JATC

Bev Kennedy, Kennedy Seminars, Introduced Herself

Paul Kennedy Jr. IOW Town of Andover, Introduced Himself

Nicholas Catizone, Municipal Electrical Inspector, Introduced Himself

Charles Richardson

Rick D'Amato, Paul Revere IAEI

Bernard Greenwood, MECA

Larry Lemieux, DPL Plumbing Board

DEFINITIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS:

BEA – Board of Electrical Appeals

BFPR – Board of Fire Prevention Regulations

BSEE - Board of State Examiners of Electricians

CE – Continuing Education Certificates

CMR – Code of Massachusetts Regulations

Code – Massachusetts Electrical Code as currently promulgated in 527 CMR 12.00

DFS – Department of Fire Services

DPL – Division of Professional Licensure

ED – Executive Director

eLicensing -

EV – Electric Vehicle

FYI – For your information

GCI – Gould Construction Institute

HR - Hour

HS – High School

IAEI – International Association of Electrical Inspectors

DEFINITIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS continued.....

I.B.E.W – International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers

Inc. - Incorporated

IOW – Inspector of Wires

JATC – Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee

JW – Journeyman Electrician

License – A – Master Electrician, B – Journeyman Electrician, C-System Technician, D- System Contractor

License by Reciprocity – By Reciprocity agreement with the State of New Hampshire if New Hampshire License was obtained through testing

LLC – Limited Liability Corporation

LU# - Local Union

MA - Massachusetts

MCA – Massachusetts Code Advisory

MECA – Massachusetts Electrical Contractors Association

MAVA – Massachusetts Association Vocational Administrators

MEIA – Municipal Electrical Inspector Association

M.G.L. – Massachusetts General Laws

M.S.C.A. – Massachusetts Systems Contractors Association, Inc.

NECA – National Electrical Contractors Association

NERA – National Electrical Reciprocity Alliance

NFPA – National Fire Protection Association

NH – New Hampshire

OPSI – Office of Public Safety and Inspections

PSI – Testing Company for BSEE

RVTS – Regional Vocational Technical School

SJC of Massachusetts – Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts

UMASS – University of Massachusetts

Agenda Topics

1. MEETING COMES TO ORDER 10:04 AM

2. FIRE/EMERGENCY INSTRUCTIONS

3. INTRODUCTION OF ATTENDEES

- Board Members
- Board Staff
- Public Attendees

4. PREVIOUS MINUTES APPROVED

Open Session Review – January 28, 2019 Meeting Minutes Motion to accept by J. Bagni Second by J. Colleary, D. Edmonds and P. Vigneau Abstained, all others in favor.

Executive Session Review – January 28, 2019 Executive Session Minutes Motion to accept by J. Bagni Second by J. Colleary, D. Edmonds and P. Vigneau abstained, All others in favor.

5. FYI ITEMS

- Providers for the 15 hour Continuing Education, CE, Classes continue to receive their Error Reports for resubmission. The Office hope to have all CE certificates uploaded successfully by April 15th 2019. Providers who have not yet received Error Reports are encouraged to contact the Board. ada.alfonso@state.ma.us

Discussion:

K.Guinee inquired if eLicensing can attend a board meeting so that the board can get an update on renewals.

10:35AM Emergency Alarm sounded in building. The first floor was not called to evacuate. The meeting commenced, no one left the meeting.

Motion to ask someone from the Commissioner's office to attend next board meeting by T. Cunningham Second by J. Colleary All in favor

- Prior to May 1st, 2019, Candidates who successfully pass the Journeyman or Master Electrician licensing exam will receive a license with an expiration date of 07/31/2019. They will have to complete a 15hr code update course to renew and pay the renewal fee. Licenses with a 07/31/2022 will be issued starting May 1st, 2019.
- The DPL has installed four computer kiosks on the 7th lobby. License holders who need help linking their licenses or renewing can come to the DPL for one to one assistance.

FYI ITEMS continued...

- Applications for examination for A, B, C and D are being processed in 10 – 12 days after receipt from PSI. Anyone with completed applications that are older than 2 weeks are encouraged to contact the board for immediate expediting. ada.alfonso@state.ma.us
- The BSEE will be mailing all license holders cards with their respective Record ID and Authorization Number. It will also have the <https://elicensing.state.ma.us/CitizenAccess/> address.

Board Outreach

- January 31st Worcester County Electrical League
- February 6th Municipal Electrical Inspectors Association, MEIA
- February 27th IAEI Western Massachusetts Chapter 6:00PM
- March 19th, 2019 6:PM IAEI Cape and Islands Chapter Meeting at Mezza Luna in Buzzards Bay
- March 28th Electrical Contractor Appreciation Night & Trade Show, IBEW Local Union 223 JATC – We will be issuing Record ID and Authorization Codes and helping license holders link their licenses.
- Inspector Seminars – Scheduled for Spring 2019
 - Paul Asselin – May 2nd Western Chapter IAEI, Greek Cultural Center in Springfield
 - Peter Diamond – Municipal Electrical Inspector Association
 - Ken Ferreira – May 16th, 2019 UMass Dartmouth
 - Maddison High School in July

- 10:38AM Off Campus BSEE Meetings

Board reviewed tentative itinerary

March 25th Shawsheen Valley Regional Technical High School, Billerica

J. Bagni reported –Other vocational schools in the area will be attending:

Greater Lowell Technical High School
Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational High School
Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical School
Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School
Essex North Shore Agricultural & Technical School
Nashoba Valley Technical High School

Estimated number of students and teachers.

Approximately 120 students

Vendors can start arriving at 7AM to set up in Cafeteria

Time: 8:00A.M. – 9:45A.M.

Vendors:

600 & 300 Hr. Schools

J.A.T.C. of Greater Boston, IBEW Local Union 103

Wayne J. Griffin Electric, Inc.

George W. Gould Construction Institute

The Peterson School

Associated Builders and Contractors of Massachusetts

Massachusetts System Contractors Association

Electrical Contractors

State Electric Corp.

Gaston Electrical

Wayne J. Griffin Electrical

McDonald Electric

Interstate Electrical Services Corp.

E. Dorian, Will discuss the Character review process with the students.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. In November 2018 BSEE meeting, Chair requested a number of licenses still not linked. Staff is working on this report.

6. LICENSES BY RECIPROCITY: (No Reciprocity Applications)

7. CORPORATE LICENSE CHANGES

E. Dorian recused herself from vote to accept removal of Victory Heat & Air Conditioning Co.

Motion to accept removal from other companies by D. Edmonds Second by P. Malagrifa All others in favor

Motion to accept removal of Victory Heat & Air Conditioning by D. Edmonds Second by J. Bagni, E. Dorian Recused, All others in favor.

REMOVALS:					
INDIVIDUAL	TYPE	ENTITY	REASON FOR REMOVAL	COMPLAINTS PENDING PROSECUTION	NOTES
Kevin Colman	A	Colman Electric	Deceased	No	Paper application submitted.
Steven Matarazzo	A	Total Temperature Control, Inc.	Left Company	No	Paper application submitted.
Michael P. Malone, Jr.	A	Precision Renewable	Closed Company	No	2019-000004-EL-BUS-R
Kenneth M. Budnick	A	Victory Heat & Air Conditioning, Co.	Left Company	no	Paper application submitted.
Eric Wilhelm	A	Cotti-Johnson HVAC Inc.	Left Company	No	Paper application submitted.

P. Malagrifa recused himself from vote to accept addition of Coastal Electric, Inc.
 Motion to accept Coastal Electric Inc. by D. Edmonds Second by J. Colleary All others in favor.

Motion to accept all other additions by D. Edmonds Second by J. Colleary All in favor.

ADDITIONS:					
INDIVIDUAL	TYPE	ENTITY	PRIOR LICENSE	COMPLAINTS PENDING PROSECUTIONS	NOTES
Daniel A. Reed	A	Coastal Electric, Inc.	No.	No.	Paper Application.
Roger W. Gaydou	A	Sunergy	No	No	Application is complete will go before the board on 02/25/2019
Anthony Gazzaniga	A	AMG Electric Services, LLC	No	No	2018-000094-EL-BUS-A
Christopher Dauphinais	A	Dauphinais Electric Services, LLC	No	No	2018-000135-EL-BUS-A
David Bigos	A	Cavallo-Cavallo Inc.	Yes, was removed in January	No	2018-000136-EL-BUS-A
Donald August	A	August Electric, Inc.	No	No	2018-000139-EL-BUS-A
Michael P. Malone Jr.	A	Precision Solar Renewables, LLC	No	No	2019-000007-EL-BUS-A
Joseph P. O'Connell	A	Integrity Electrical Services	No	No	2018-000107-EL-BUS-A
Shawn Ventura	A	Heidrea Communications, LLC	Yes, Removing this month	No	2019-000006-IT-ENF

8. 10:55AM LICENSE(S) ISSUED BY EXAM: *January 2019 First Time Test Takers*

Type License	Number of Candidates for Exam
Journeyman, Part 1 (17 Failed)	55
Journeyman, Part 2 Applied (23 Failed)	59
Master, A Part 1 (1 Failed)	8
Master, A Part 2 (1 Failed)	8
Systems Contractor, C (0 Failed)	0
Systems Technician, D Part 1 (5 Failed)	9
Systems Technician, D Part 2 (6 Failed)	9

9. REPORTS –

Candidates for License Exam – Portion Pass Report First Time and Repeat January 2019
 New Hampshire Board of Electricians

10. 11:05AM REPORT FROM THE B.F.P.R. – P. Vigneau

BFPR is meeting with subcommittee on energy storage systems.
 Mass Code Advisory Committee is meeting on March 12th.

11. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – *No update in February*

12. REPORT FROM THE CHIEF INVESTIGATOR – *No Report in February*

13. **REPORT FROM O.P.S.I.** – M. Keigan to Report on S Licensing *Postponed until Spring 2019*

14. **REPORT FROM LEGAL COUNSEL** – C. Kilb had nothing to report

15. **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND SCHEDULING**

11:08AM CMR SUBCOMMITTEE (*J. Colleary, Chair, J. Bagni, G. Condon, T. Cunningham*)

The subcommittee has not met, thus had nothing to report.

The Board members requested an update as to the status of the proposed changes to CMR 13.00. Counsel noted that the regulations are still being reviewed by the administration. He also reminded the Board that the proposed changes cannot be changed by policy while the amendments are pending. No formal action taken.

Board requested that we advance a board policy while we wait for the CMR change.

EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE (*D. Edmonds, Chair, P. Malagrifa, J. Sloan, E. Dorian, Alternate*)

Subcommittee to report on February 19, 2019 meeting. Meeting Minutes included with agenda for BSEE Board meeting. D. Edmonds reviewed and reported according to the minutes of that meeting.

- As of 02/25/2019 the Board had not received the Bond for Diman Regional Vocational High School

Discussion:

11:44AM The Executive Director read from the Education Subcommittee Meeting Minutes of February 19, 2019:

At Your Pace – Charles “Chuck” Price presented.

Charles Price has a Massachusetts Journeyman license that he received by exam. The exam was taken in the state of Oregon. Our program does not permit testing outside of Massachusetts.

We will need to determine:

How the candidate was permitted to test in Oregon.

Is the school required to have a Master Electricians license?

Did he take a Massachusetts exam?

License may not be valid.

Motion to take no action against Mr. Price by J. Bagini, Second by J. Colleary All in favor.

D. Edmonds, Spoke to Mr. Nick Daigneault letter

School Districts offering Chapter-74 Electricity Programs May offer Related during either the Shop week or during the Academic week. Most Districts have moved Related from the Academic week to the Shop week. Either way, the Related is being offered in compliance with Chapter-74 rules.

D. Edmonds, Asked the Board to consider changin apprentice ratio's.

C. Kilb, Ratio's would require a statute change, Chapter 141, §8

Motion to take a 30 minute break by J. Colleary, Second by J. Bagni All in favor

12:31PM Meeting Reconvened

OLD BUSINESS

- The following Schools have not sent in renewal applications. All schools were notified summer of 2018 by certified mail and email that their schools approvals were lapsed.

Greater New Bedford RVTS

Massasoit Community College

Medford Vocational Technical HS

Whittier RVTS

Cape Cod Electrical School

Page School of Electrical Technology

- 12:31PM Education Subcommittee to work on incorporating hot works training into the 15 CE class – J. Bagni to Report with power point presentation.

Mandatory program in Massachusetts

A Hot Work Safety Certificate for all persons engaged in hot work operations on the work

Site becomes mandatory state-wide in Massachusetts starting July 1, 2018.

What is Hot Work? (527 CMR Chapter 41)

Hot work is any activity or process that involves open flames or that generates sparks or heat and includes: Welding and allied processes; heat treating; grinding; thawing pipes; powder-driven fasteners; hot riveting; torch-applied

roofing; and any similar applications producing or using sparks, flame or heat.

J. Bagni proposed having a 3 hour clinic for the new code cycle. This will include the final presentation with training.

➤ **12:50PM Hybrid 600 hour on-line education Discussion:**
NH Reciprocity Agreement Review

Members discussed the fact that they do not accept online education hours, if NH is, then some discussion would be necessary.

Motion to invite Peter Cicolini and Dean Sotirakopoulos from the NH Board of Electricians to the March board meeting by J. Bagni, Second by J. Sloan, all in favor.

1:10PM INTERPRETATION SUBCOMMITTEE *(E. Dorian, Chair, P. Malagrifa, G. Condon, J. Bagni, J. Sloan)*

Interpretations of 141.7 with regards to work on Energy Stations.

Committee met on November 20, 2018

Committee met on January 10, 2019

Committee met on February 11th, 2019

E. Dorian to update board. No formal proposal

E. Dorian, There are lots of complexities. We are discovering references in 166 and 164 that we need to review.

Next scheduled Subcommittee Meeting is March 18, 2019 10AM at the office of the DPL in Room 1G

PLANNING AND RESEARCH SUBCOMMITTEE *(K. Guinee, Chair, J. Bagni, P. Malagrifa)*

All boards at the DPL have been asked to look at reciprocal license agreements with all states and report on Pain Points in the process. There is a nationwide movement for reciprocity.

- Reconvene Committee
 - Discover interest of other states in reciprocity agreements with Massachusetts
 - Review Electrical licenses in each state and how they compare to Massachusetts licenses
 - Review school and education requirements for each state.
 - Review Continuing Education requirements.

NERA State *National Electrical Reciprocal Alliance*

Alaska, Arkansas, Colorado, Idaho, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Wisconsin and Wyoming.

Some of the NERA States do not require schooling.

The following states already reciprocate with New Hampshire:

Alaska, Arizona, Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Wisconsin and Wyoming

All of these states have agreed to the schooling requirements as part of their reciprocity agreements.

Discussion:

Planning and Research Subcommittee will set a date for a meeting prior to March Board meeting.

16. MATTERS NOT ANTICIPATED BY CHAIR

17. BOARD OF APPEALS (BEA) *(No appeals scheduled)*

18. **1:37PM EXECUTIVE SESSION** *(Closed to the Public, M.G.L. c. 30A, 21)* Motion to enter Executive Session by D. Edmonds Second by J. Bagni Roll Call

Roll Call					
<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>YEA</u>	<u>NEA</u>	<u>RECUSED/ABSTAINED</u>
K. Guinee			X		
J. Bagni			X		
J. Colleary			X		
G. Condon III			X		
T. Cunningham			X		
E. Dorian			X		
D. Edmonds			X		
P. Vigneau			X		
D. Cahill			X		
P. Malagrifa			X		
J. Sloane			X		

Character Review(s) of applicants – ED, MG, JK, PL, CR

2:10PM Pending Litigation, C. Kilb reported

BEA-18-40006-AP

19. **2:59PM INVESTIGATIVE CONFERENCE** *(Closed to the Public, M.G.L. c. 112A, 65C)* – R. Paris, Compliance Officer Reported
J. Colleary recused himself.

INVESTIGATIONS	
<u>DATE OPENED</u>	<u>DOCKET #</u>
12/12/2018	2018-001286-IT-ENF

Negotiated Settlements – F. Mong

2018-000576-IT-ENF – Offer is accepted by Board

2018-000920-IT-ENF - Offer is accepted by Board

3:04PM Negotiated Settlements – S. Henderson

2018-000395-IT-ENF

2018-000418-IT-ENF

2018-000494-IT-ENF

2018-000485-IT-ENF

2018-000394-IT-ENF

2018-000393-IT-ENF

Board accepted all offers from above case.

2018-000222-IT-ENF Dismissed

EL-17-0257

3:14PM Motion to end Negotiated Settlements by J. Colleary Second by D. Edmonds All in favor

20. **QUASI-JUDICIAL SESSION** *(Closed to Public)*

21. **NEXT BSEE MEETING SCHEDULED FOR:** March 25th, 2019 Shawsheen Valley Regional Technical HS, Billerica

22. **MEETING ADJOURNED** Motion to adjourn by E. Dorian Second by J. Colleary All in favor

Anticipated Board Meetings dates and locations for 2019:

<u>Meeting Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
1/28/2019	DPL, 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA
2/25/2019	DPL, 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA
3/25/2019	Shawsheen Valley Regional Technical HS, Billerica
4/22/2019	DPL, 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA
5/20/2019	Upper Cape Regional Technical HS, Bourne
6/24/2019	Blackstone Valley Regional Technical HS, Upton
7/22/2019	JATC of Greater Boston, Boston
8/26/2019	DPL, 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA
9/23/2019	Diman Regional Technical HS, Fall River
10/28/2019	DPL, Boston
11/25/2019	Whittier Regional Vocational HS, Haverhill
12/23/2019	DPL, 1000 Washington St. Boston, MA

INCLUDED IN MEETING AGENDA

January 28, 2019 Meeting Minutes
January 28, 2018 Executive Session Meeting Minutes
Itinerary for March 25th Career Fair
Portion Pass Report(s) First Time Only January 2019
Portion Pass Report(s) Repeat Only January 2019
Education Subcommittee February 19, 2019 Meeting Minutes

BOARD MEMBERS:

Paul Vigneau, Fire Marshal Designee
John Bagni, MAVA Member
James Colleary, Inspector of Wires Member
George Condon III, Systems Technician Member
Thomas Cunningham, Master Electrician Member
Ellen Dorian, Public Member
David Edmonds, Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Designee, Clerk
Kathleen Guinee, Systems Contractor Member, Chair
Dan Cahill, Electrical Contractor Member
Paul J. Malagrifa, International Municipal Signal Association Member, Vice Chair
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